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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 6, 2004, applicants elect claims 7-13 (Group II), directed to a conjugate. Applicants elect the species of the hyaluronan moiety as the hydrophilic biopolymer represented by P, alpha-interferon as the biologically active material, and an integral value of 1 for n, respectively. The election is made without traverse. Original claims 7 to 13 read on these species.

If a Petition for Extension of Time is needed, this paper is to be considered such Petition. Please apply any charges, including charges for a two-month extension of time, or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney's docket No: 00986-084001.

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